

The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 3579.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1893.

SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital.....\$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....\$500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman.
Chan Kik Shan, Esq., Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,
H. Stollerfort, Esq.,
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:—

The Commercial Bank of Scotland,
Farrs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.....3 1/2
Hongkong, 24th May, 1893.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....\$2,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED-UP.....\$1,093,154.9

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
Wm. Kewick, Esq., Chairman.
Adolf von Arnim, Esq., D. Sassoon, Esq.,
Egbert Isaac, Esq., H. D. Stewart, Esq.,
David McLean, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE:
The Hon. J. J. Kewick, The Hon. C. P. Chater,
H. Hoppin, Esq.

Head Office:—3, Princes Street, London.

Branches:—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

Agencies:—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST.

ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained
on application.

CHARTREY INCHBALD,

Manager,
Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [187]

THE MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....\$1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,185,000

BANKERS:

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 5 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.
" 6 ".....4 1/2
" 3 ".....4
" 1 ".....3 1/2

JOHN THURBURN,

Manager, Hongkong,
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

Intimations.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,

WINE AND SPIRIT
MERCHANTS,
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, LONDON AND
GLASGOW.

13, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 24th August, 1893. [193]

THOMAS GRILL ROOMS,

(Corner of Queen's Road and Duddell Street.)

THE Underigned has always thought that
such a place as this was the one thing
needed to fit in between HOTEL LIFE and the
PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE—providing it be
First-class in every detail. A place where one
may have his GRILLED CHOP or STEAK
at any hour of the Day, up to 11 P.M., or later
if notice be given. He is also prepared to
SUPPLY MEALS to PRIVATE PARTIES
on Menu or à la Carte—this Party including
Dishes, etc. for same and Cash. Scale on
application.

Monthly Board for One Person.....\$1.00
TUESDAY.....\$1.00
AMERICAN FROZEN OYSTERS always
on hand and served in every Style.

Breakfast.....\$0.50
Dinner.....\$0.75
Special Tiffin and Dinners served
in Excellent Style at short notice.

W. THOMAS,

Proprietor,
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1893. [148]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED or UN-
FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board and
Table Accommodation.

Apply to
Mrs. MATHER,
2, Fiddler's Hill,
Hongkong, 28th February, 1893. [194]

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY of the ITALIAN
CONVENT, CADE ROAD, has been
respectfully APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Coast, for their kind
patronage and support, and desire to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all
kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Collars
and Cuffs renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing,
Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Tailor's
Make-ups can be supplied, if required.

The Superiority will also be most pleased to
any Pattern, or old Garment, or to make new
Shirts for the Children of the Poor Schools, who
are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1893. [195]

Insurances.

THE STANDARD.

ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANT-
AGES of this form of Assurance, the
following may be mentioned:—

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision
for wife and family in event of early death.

(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.

(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment
for the regular accumulation of
small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and Loan values are
larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN
THREE YEARS IN FORCE—
should the Policy-holder wish to dis-
continue future payments—he will
be entitled to receive, on application,
a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a
proportionate amount of the Sum
Assured, as explained in the Pro-
spectus.

Full particulars on application,
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents,
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE,
Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [147]

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Underigned are prepared to accept
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES on
favorable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal
to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [145]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,
etc. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary,
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hongkong, 1st September, 1893. [173]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000.....\$33,333.33
EQUAL TO.....\$318,000.00

RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
LEE SENG, Esq., LO YUEN MOON, Esq.,
LOU TEO SEUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, etc., taken
at CURRENT RATES 10 per cent. of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 5 & 6, PRAYA WEST
Hongkong, 17th December, 1893. [974]

Intimations.

WANTED.

A ROTARY PRINTING PRESS. Size
about 36 by 41 inches, or a little larger.
Must be in working order.
Apply, stating terms, etc. to
G. W.,
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office,
Hongkong, 14th September, 1893. [1014]

D. R. KNORR'S
ANTIPYRINE,
(Does not hurt Adults, 15 to 35, GRAPE TART.)

IS the most approved and most efficacious
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MI-
GRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM,
FEVER, TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE,
ERYSIPELAS, HOARSENESS, COUGHS,
and many other complaints. It is also the best
remedy for the treatment of the
MALARIAL FEVER, and the
ANTIPYRINE. Each Tin bears the signature
of D. R. KNORR, in red letters.

"DERMATOL" is the best Vulnerary; its
effect in "stimulating" the clothing up of Wounds,
is described as amazing.
To be had at every reputable Chemist and
Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the Chinese
Export, Import and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for
China.

Representatives of numerous Institutions.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1893. [1406]

BLACKHEAD & CO.,

SHIP CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,
COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS,
CHARTER, NAVAL CONTRACTORS
AND GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS,
PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMAN'S RAHTIEN'S GENUINE
COMPOSITION,
HARTMAN'S GREY PAINT,
HARTMAN'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES,
etc., etc., etc.

EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK.
REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1893. [196]

Intimations.

W. BREWER.

JUST RECEIVED
A NEW STOCK OF GENTLEMEN'S BOOTS and SHOES in BROWN RUSSIAN and
MOROCCO LEATHER.

LADIES' WALKING SHOES in MOROCCO LEATHER.
LADIES' TENNIS SHOES, "The Renshaw."

NEW STOCK BRIAR PIPES, TOBACCO POUCHES, etc.
SPLENDID STOCK OF ENGRAVINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS and other PICTURES.

NEW PATENT OPAQUE BANK ENVELOPES.

EXCHANGE TABLES.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,
QUEEN'S ROAD,
[189]

Hongkong, 26th August, 1893.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremia"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East,
affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of
the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf
(the principal landing stage of the Colony) and is close proximity to the Banks and Shipping
Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.
THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being
under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to
spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public
BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, etc., are served at any hour
adjacent to the Hotel, and is under the same Management.

The WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers
and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER,
Manager,
[108]

Hongkong, 12th February, 1893.

W. POWELL & CO.

LARGE SHIPMENTS OF
NEW GOODS.

LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S
HOSIERY,
EVERY SIZE.

FOOTBALL JERSEYS. SWEATERS,
etc., etc., etc.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 14th October, 1893. [16]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

IN ORDER TO EFFECT A CLEARANCE, WE OFFER OUR
SURPLUS STOCK
OF
FRENCH NOVELS,
AT THE RATE OF
\$5.00 per DOZEN or 50 CENTS EACH.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
Hongkong, 14th October 1893. [17]

SHOOTING SEASON 1893!

FOWLING PIECES IN CASES WITH IMPLEMENTS.

MARTINI-HENRI MATCH RIFLES, WINCHESTER CARBINES, COLTS
"LIGHTNING" CARBINES, REVOLVERS.

ELEY'S CARTRIDGE CASES:—
METAL-COVERED, GREEN, BLUE AND BROWN.

CARTRIDGES LOADED with "E.C." or "ALLIANCE" GUNPOWDER.

FIGOU, WILKS and LAWRENCE'S "ALLIANCE" SPORTING POWDER.

NEWCASTLE CHILLED SHOT.

WADS, CAPS, LOADING MACHINES, RE-CAPERS, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND BAGS,
GUN CLEANERS, etc., etc.

MANUFACTURED BY
HONGKONG, 9th August, 1893. [1071]

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the
centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations, and is now fitted with
the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Single
and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOCKERS, SHOWERS, etc., and heated
to a comfortable temperature during winter.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, etc.

The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1893.

An Assistant will attend on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—CENTRAL, SHANGHAI.

F. E. REILLY,
PROPRIETOR.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1893. [1044]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA
MASONIC BENEVOLENCE FUND
CORPORATION.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING of the
above CORPORATION will be held at
the Masonic Hall, TO-MORROW, the 20th
instant, at 5.30 P.M.

A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1893. [1099]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of
MEMBERS will be held in the CITY
Hall, on SATURDAY, 21st October, at 3 P.M.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1893. [1003]

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORA- TION, LIMITED, (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE.

THE LIQUIDATION of this BANK will
in future be CONDUCTED BY THE
CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRA-
LIA AND CHINA.

By Order of the Liquidator,
E. W. RUTTER,
Attorney for the Liquidator.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1893. [1091]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance
with Article No. 18 of the Articles of
Association of THE BANK OF CHINA,
JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED, the
Directors have passed a Resolution making a
CALL of ONE POUND per Share on the Ordinary
Shares of the Bank, such Call to become
PAYABLE as follows:—

Five Shillings on the 1st November, 1893.

Five Shillings on the 1st February, 1894.

Five Shillings on the 2nd April, 1894.

Five Shillings on the 1st June, 1894.

The several Instalments of the above Call
Due on Shares on the Hongkong Register are
Payable as above at the Office of the Bank, No.
4, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, in local
currency equivalent.

Interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum
will be allowed on all Instalments paid in
advance of the date.

If the Sums Payable in respect of any of the
above Instalments be not paid on or before the
respective days appointed for payment thereof,
respectively, interest will be charged on the
same at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum from
the day appointed for Payment thereof to the
time of actual payment, in accordance with
Article No. 21 of the Articles of Association of
the Bank.

S. L. DARBY,
Acting Manager,
Hongkong, 26th September, 1893. [1049]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE LONG RANGE CUP will be Shot for
on SATURDAY, the 21st inst.—Ranges,
500 and 600 yards. Time, 3 P.M.

On MONDAY 23rd and WEDNESDAY 25th,
the Range will be reserved from 3 P.M. for practice
at 200, 300 and 600 yards only.

A. MANN,
Asst. Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th October 1893. [51]

MORE BETTER.

CHRISTMAS CARDS.

JUST now my thanks really hard
What thing can send to you?
My look-see plenty little card,
Can buy-see pink or blue,
With pieces flora, bird, or cat,
Who man like that?

Plenty other thing can buy,
No use my makes send;
Who man watches better?
To post to follow friend?
With small things to fill a hat,
No man like that.

More better catches Giffith's cards
With photos both and mallow,
Pagoda, sea-bones, Naval Yard,
And times by a longfellow
His cards have plenty English chat
Who man like that.

GRIFFITH'S CHRISTMAS CARDS ARE
NOW READY.

Buy them at this Studio,
2, 1st House Road and Duddell Street,
Or from your Booksellers.

\$5 per dozen. Our Posts cash with order.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1893. [1118]

SERVANTS REGISTRY OFFICE.

FOR HOUSE-BOYS AND HOUSE-COOLIES.

FOREIGN RESIDENTS are requested to
SEND THEIR NATIVE SERVANTS
with their names, to the Registry Office,
2, 1st House Road, and to be RE-
GISTERED, as a means of identification, and
that inquiries may be made about them, in
order to check dishonesty. That this may be
fully carried out, Residents are also requested
NOT TO ENGAGE UNREGISTERED SER-
VANTS, but to apply to the Registry Office
for the same, and to be RE-REGISTERED
OF CHARGE. Registration Fee for Chinese
5 Cents per annum. A printed list of Residents
Employed and Unemployed, with particulars
and reported cases of dishonesty, will be issued
quarterly.

Office Hours to A.M. to 4 P.M.
Hongkong, 14th October, 1893. [1113]

THE PHARMACY, QUEEN'S ROAD.

MESSRS. FLETCHER & Co. beg to
inform the Residents of Hongkong and
the Shipping Community, that they have now
OPENED at the above address. The Store is
managed by a thoroughly competent Chemist
who takes every care that all DRUGS and
CHEMICALS used in the compounding of pre-
parations are PURE and FRESH.

Fletcher & Co. have on hand a good
stock of all the latest and best
Medicines, and are prepared to supply them
at the lowest possible prices.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1893. [1044]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS:

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE,"
Captain F. Davies, R.N.R., will be despatched
at above on or about SATURDAY, the 21st
instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 14th October, 1893. [1115]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"
Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the
above Ports on SUNDAY, the 22nd instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFAIR & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 18th October, 1893. [1118]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"
Captain Spence, will be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at
Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 18th October, 1893. [1127]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship

"DENBIGHSHIRE,"
Captain D. Davies, will be despatched for the
above Ports on or about the 6th November.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Company responsible for the defence of this territory. Despite this intimation they will not permit the Company to assume the offensive without first using every endeavour to bring about a pacific settlement. The vacillating policy pursued by the Marquis of Ripon, Colonial Secretary, in dealing with this matter, is arousing strong public condemnation, and is signified as directly encouraging King Lobengula, the Matabele chief, to attack the settlement.

The Italian Government, for some time past, has been steadily taking advantage of every opportunity to smash gold, and a report is current that the specie is being devoted to the formation of a war chest.

The London Times states that arrangements have almost been completed for the formation of a huge Coal Trust embracing the whole of the British colonies, the capitalised interest amounting to the enormous sum of one hundred and ten millions sterling.

It is rumored that the Bank of Victoria, Limited, and the National Bank of Australia are about to amalgamate, and that a like arrangement is to be concluded between the City of Melbourne Bank, Limited, and the Colonial Bank of Australia. The Financial Times indulges in a favorable comment on the proposed arrangement.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, September 20th.
Owing to the strikes the price of house coal has risen another five shillings, and now stands at thirty-eight shillings per ton.

An officer of the Austrian Army has been cashiered for belonging to the Socialist party.

An article has appeared in the *Atlantic Quarterly Review* by Dr. Lettner in which, quoting from the Koran, he says "Muslims traditions and practices show that sheep, goats, or camels, but not cows, may be sacrificed on the Eid Festival, and for the sake of the peace of India, he appeals to Indian Muslims to cease cow-killing."

The man who lately threw the bombs which caused such havoc at Barcelona was shot in the back.

October 2nd.
Advices from Rio state that the foreign ministers there are seeking to mediate between the Government and the rebels.

His report at Washington that a compromise amongst the members of the Senate regarding the Sherman Anti-Trust Bill is possible this week, if it becomes evident that the Bill will be defeated in a present shape.

October 3rd.
About 6,000 miners at the smaller pits have resumed work. The big collieries, however, remain closed.

The death is announced of David James, the well-known actor.

A manifesto was issued by the Spanish Anarchists threatening terrible vengeance if the man Pallas, who threw bombs at Barcelona, were shot.

NOTHING HIDDEN IN CHINA.

A MISSIONARY'S YARN.
The Rev. A. H. Smith, who has had many years of missionary service in China during which he has acquired a vast fund of knowledge relating to Chinese social characteristics, has been writing some of his experiences to a writer for *Youth's Companion*. Here is the reverend gentleman's little yarn:

"In China a 'private house' is unknown. Any one can go anywhere, and if there is the least revocation he will do so. To shut the door is a bad sign. 'What is going on within that house?' is a question which is asked of every one. People are likely to ask. There are no newspapers, so objects of general and human interest to attract attention; as men and women must be interested in something, it is natural that they should be fond of neighborly gossip.

Every Chinese has relatives beyond all count or remembrance. His wife has as many more. His married children add to the ever-widening circle. By the time he is 60 years of age a man is related to hundreds upon hundreds of individuals, each of whom is equally cognizant of the relationship and does not longer ignore it.

Not only do all the members of this 'myriad' of relatives feel themselves entitled to know all the details of one's affairs, but the relatives, 'all the way down to the fifth generation' perhaps, do the same. If a man is rich or a magistrate they certainly will do it.

One cannot make a business trip to sell water-melons, to buy mules, to collect a debt, of which everyone will not speedily know all that is to be known. Chinese memories are treasure houses of everything relative to cash and to business.

How much land each man owns, when it was acquired, when pawned and when redeemed, how much was expended at the funeral of his mother and the wedding of his son, how the daughter-in-law is liked at the village into which she was married, the amount of her dowry, what bargain was made with the firm that let the bridal chair—all these items and a thousand more every body knows and can repeat.

Through the men's fingers and their fingers through the capacious sleeves, it will go hard if the neighbors do not discover the terms at last.

There are no secrets in China. Everybody knows in everywhere—if not in sight, then 'behind the arras.' Everyone reads every letter he can get at. He reads 'private' letters in the same way.

"What is the end of it, 'not let me see you?' No wonder the Chinese have an adage, 'If you would not have it known that you do it, do not do it.'"

CHINESE MINISTERS ON CHRISTIAN MISSIONS.

III.—MINISTER HUANG.
In his diary of the 15th day of the 3rd moon, 1890, Minister Huang writes:
These in the West follow the Christian religion aim at cultivating virtue and loving men, not very different from Confucianism. But as to the books which the Church circulates, such as the Old and New Testaments, their allegories and stories of the gods are not equal to such Chinese novels as the *Camelot* of the Gods and *Record of Travels to the West*. Every three-foot child knows that these stories are not true. When occasionally meeting men of learning of the West they seem to know this well, but are unwilling to say it out plainly. I have met some who say that in a century or two more science will be fully advanced, and will put off all Christian books.

As to Confucianism, all with one voice and without exception approve of it. Although foreigners are also fond of complimenting it, still by carefully watching the tone the compliment seems to be all sincerity of heart. For the way of our sages is neither local nor changeable, and penetrating deep into men's minds. To compare the sayings of Jesus Christ with Confucianism is like taking a piece of glass and comparing it with a diamond. Even foreigners are not ignorant that formerly in China the doctrine of Yang and Yin, of Buddha, and of Lao-tse, was held for a while and then, after a time, died again. Confucianism is like the sun and moon in the heavens, although from old they are still brighter than ever. China has no literature

with Europe, Asia, and the other continents. Now that there is intercourse, all their religious spread from one to the other. Thus we know that Christianity will decline and Confucianism will spread to the West.

REMARKS.
On this we remark that we are glad to find no slander. But the Minister's views on religion here are not likely to impress any thoughtful mind. For a Foreign Minister of China to see, in the religion which has by far the largest number of followers of any religion on earth, including the most enlightened nations too, nothing but a literature inferior to the *Story Books* of his own country, and to see only a temporary triumph in a religion which has been steadily gaining more and more ground for 2,000 years, so that now it rules ninety per cent of the world, simply shows that the Minister has not studied one of the greatest forces in the world's progress. After more study of the great religions there will be more toleration and more mutual respect.—*T. R. in N. C. Daily News.*

FOOCHOW NOTES.

Foochow, 10th Oct, 1893.
The growing rice crops have suffered but little, we understand, by the late gales.

F. G. Gillies, the new acting French Consul at this port, arrived from Shanghai per *Huashin* on Monday last.

During a performance at a theatre in the city last week, the crowd was so great that a man was literally squeezed to death.

The steamship *Glenfrida* which arrived here on the 10th instant, had on board 24 rascals shipped by Mr. Barnes Dallas at Shanghai, 2 of which were for this port and 11 for Amoy. Yesterday the rascals arrived per *Kowching*.

During the late strong freshets many of the blocks of stone supporting both the short and long bridges across the river became misplaced. The authorities at once gave orders to have them repaired, and the work has already been commenced.

Last Saturday in the city a young native boy, 7 years of age, was bitten by a neighbor's dog and suffered so greatly that he died the next day from the effects. The parents demanded compensation from the owner of the dog, who without demur came forward most handsomely. He bought a new boy as nearly the same age as the deceased as possible, and presented him to the bereaved parents, together with a sum of 40,000 cash.

The old smoking-house—a sort of club, near the south gate of the city, is to be demolished and a large building erected in its place. The establishment is for the use of mandarins only, and much frequented by them. We understand that the estimate of cost of the new building is 22,000. Of this 20,000 have been contributed by the mandarins, 10,000 by the wealthy of the city, and the remaining 3,000 by a few wealthy merchants.

A native of Hing-hwa who had been entrusted by a friend with 500 to take to his family, tied the packet containing them in a handkerchief round his waist. Jumping into a boat on his journey, the bundle slipped from the handkerchief and fell into the water. Unable to find it himself, he sought a diver, who, after a time, succeeded in landing it, but declined to give it up unless he was allowed to retain half the value. The traveller had the best of a very prolonged argument which ensued, over many pipes, the diver agreeing at last to accept 25 for his services.

One day last week a young man was seen to be jumping off the Long Bridge into the river and to float down the stream towards a Nippon junk, the crew of which saved him. On being asked what the reason was for so insane an act, he replied that extreme poverty had driven him to it, whereupon the captain and crew subscribed 5,000 cash between them and sent him on shore with the money, begging him never to attempt suicide again, however poor he might be. Two or three days later he repeated the act and was again rescued from the water, but the story of what had previously occurred had become well known close to the bridge, and on its being proved that he was the same would-be suicide he was handed over to the authorities and is now undergoing punishment. About the same time the first attempt was made, a real case of suicide occurred on shore, a native hanging himself on a tree near the Raquet Court. The body was left some time to be claimed by relatives or friends, but none coming forward it was buried at the police expense.

The following story comes to us from Ing-hok, which we relate as given to us:—On the 2nd instant, on the hills in the above neighborhood a multitude of extraordinary size, ranging about two yards in length and eight inches round, was seen coming out from between two very large rocks, causing them to roll down the hill and smash six houses at the bottom, killing all the same time twenty of the inmates. The rolling of the stones caused streams of water to follow them down the hill and these are still running. The centipede had on several occasions been seen by people in the neighborhood casting out luminous vapors, and on more than one of these occasions a very brilliant stone was seen in the vapors, which the people swallowed back again. The terrified people did not dare to touch it.

[Note.—The falling of the rocks is possible enough; there are many large boulders on the hills in all directions which with the slightest undermining on the lower sides would lead to their bounding down the hill-sides and smashing everything before them, but the reason given in this instance of the falling of the stones is firmly believed in by the natives of the district. They must be some mistake about the insect that performed this marvelous feat, as we have not yet read of centipedes measuring 6 feet long and besides, it breathed forth luminous vapors, which the centipede does not. Perhaps it was a dragon, or a jabberwock, or our Kulling tiger that gave the boulders a gentle push over and tipped the catastrophe.—Ed. J. E. H.]

SIAM NOTES.

Bangkok, 9th October, 1893.
The export of rice from Siam for the month of September was the largest on record, over one million of piculs being registered as having passed through the Custom House.

A balloon ascent and parachute descent, were made by Professor Lawrence at Wat Tapasadin on Wednesday. The balloon required an altitude of some 7,000 ft. before cutting the connection and ultimately landed in a grove of coconut trees.

A strike of Bangkok carriage drivers, it is reported, passed off very quietly yesterday. Bangkok, as a city, is progressing in all respects, public carriages, cab-drivers, and the electric tramway and two railway lines, and lately had a blockade and a duel. It only needs a divorce case and a breach-of-promise or two to make us quite *à la mode*.

Serious severity of rain, resulting in the failure of planting operations, is reported from Luang, Elegon, Champang, Chaiya and Ratanon, on the west coast of the Gulf. To add to the distress the sun is dying, and it is expected that the season will be more disastrous than was the case some twenty years ago when, according to the records, some eighty per cent of the buffaloes died and the rice fields were reduced to the point of starvation.

Mr. M. J. P. de Vries, a Dutch official, died suddenly at the residence of Mr. King at Bangkok on Wednesday.

Wednesday. There was afterwards a private dinner. The French Plenipotentiary, M. Pavie, and Père Smith left the Summer Palace on Thursday morning, everything in connection with the concluding negotiations having passed off satisfactorily. They proceeded to Chantaboon in the French gun-boat *Aspic* yesterday, whence he will go to Saigon by the *Albatros*. Lieutenant Vliers who has been temporarily attached to the French Legation here also left by the *Aspic*, and will now join his regiment in France.—*Bangkok Times.*

A priest at Wat Samplum died on Tuesday through being bitten by an electric eel, whilst bathing in the Klong.

We understand that by the Franco-Siam Convention it is agreed that all Siamese military posts within the neutral zone shall be razed.

This year is proving a phenomenal one in regard to the pepper output. Already at least 25,000 piculs have been sent away from Chantaboon alone—which is double last year's bulk, although prices rule lower.—*Tes. 25 and 26.*

We did the gentleman too much credit on the 14th inst. when we stated a local publisher had been prevailed on to burn his enormous stock of illicit literature. He has agreed to destroy a lot of it, but there are still the editions of several dozen choice books about which he is still wrestling in spirit. The missionaries were busy with him for five hours on Tuesday, but he held out.

The Siamese who was taken to Hospital the other day after being smashed up in one of the saw-mills recovering. He only had his skull fractured but still bore broken to half-a-dozen places, his arm taken off (after being slowly smashed by the chain of a windmill, which had caught it) and a big piece taken out of his leg. He practically died on the operating-table, but artificial respiration brought him to.

A CHANTABOON correspondent writes:—Since the French soldiers have come here they have been very overbearing in their manner, and go about eating and drinking the women are all troubled about it. It would take too long to enumerate all their acts, but I may say that we would have driven them out long ago if it had not been likely to make trouble for the Siamese Government, who have allowed them to stay here.—*Siam Observer.*

ENGLISH CHARACTERISTICS.

Having spent twenty years in London and two weeks in the country, I am qualified, I imagine, to present an original and intelligent opinion upon this great City and upon the character and the customs of the people who inhabit this kingdom. London, for all practical purposes, is a place surrounded by a bewildering network of slums. The population is distributed as follows: The successful thieves live in the west, the unsuccessful thieves in the east, the middle-class inhabits the north, and the lower middle-class the south. There is for the Englishman but one God—that God is money and the Blessed Trinity of commerce is composed of pounds, shillings, and pence. The Englishman carries his soul in his breast-pocket, and his real recording angel is the obscure clerk who totos up his daily balance in a ledger in some distant and dismal bank. There are a few churches, chapels, religious sects and denominations in Great Britain than in any other two countries combined. But the religion of this people is the religion of the restless. They are eager to convert everything and everybody—but the Three per cents. To sell something to somebody at a profit is the one great purpose of the Englishman's existence. Everything upon the earth or beneath it, in the waters, and in the air above, he considers has been created either to be killed or to be sold.

When an Englishman is not selling he is killing, and when he is not killing he is selling. Frequently, however, he kills and sells the two operations, and then he is indecisively of the world. They do not realize it, but they are. There is not a nation, there is scarcely even a community that is not indebted to England, and no land is required by any country, be it ever so trifling, but what it is brought to London to be floated. With characteristic ingenious hypocrisy, they, however, disguise these transactions under the more dignified terms of business, enterprise, investment, speculation, stocks, shares, and scrip. To die rich here is to die happy. The English idolize success—they are utterly unable to appreciate brilliant failure. Everything in England is stern, solid, and stolid. There is no lightness, no elasticity, no breeziness. The prototype of England is John Bull, a ponderous, prosperous provincial, with much money securely invested in the Three per cents.

The English have the two terms principle and prejudice. Half the principles for which they are prepared to die, are merely prejudices to disguise. Their chief delight is to cause scandal, and their chief delight is to discuss it. The day of rest is in their neither a day of devotion nor a day for recreation. It is simply a day of truce upon which they can retire to calculate how successfully they have outwitted their neighbors in the past week, and can plan how they shall equally successfully outwit them in the week to come. Instinct, inspiration, imagination, sentiment, the electric properties of the soul they are utterly devoid of. Having little or no taste, they have substituted "tone" in its stead. So long as this "tone" is deliberate, dissipationate, and dignified they care little what atrocity it may conceal. They are perpetually in a hurry. The English, it is true, seldom gesticulate in conversation. This is not to be wondered at, for they otherwise exhaust their energy with their legs.—*The Londoner in Siam.*

NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Paris has 27,000 liquor bars. A weekly paper for the blind is published in England.

Italy has 50 ships of war, 177 heavy guns and 19,324 men.

A great American hotel is to be built in Unter den Linden in Berlin.

Of 6,000 pilgrims who went to Mecca in May last, over half died from cholera.

Egypt's cotton crop this year will be 50,000,000 pounds larger than that of 1892.

Paris has 87,853 trees in its streets, and each tree represents a coat to the city of 57.

Over a thousand children are annually suffocated by their parents in London.

In eight provinces in Russia, 95 per cent of the land held by peasants is in common.

Lloyd's reports 1,000 people lost in 1892, of which 240 were British and 176 American.

Eight shootings in the Scottish Highlands cost £28,000 rental for a five weeks' season.

The French Navy has 393 ships of all classes, armored and unarmored, and 38,671 men.

An electric light has just been put up in a flour mill close to the Damascus gate Jerusalem.

London music halls are more prosperous than ever. Theatricals drop, but music halls flourish.

The French wheat crop is estimated at a decrease of 25,000,000 hectolitres from that of 1892.

The white wheat grain is in great demand in Switzerland and Austria for the making of Vermouth.

It would appear that the oft-repeated attempt to revive the fashion for eminus is at length successful.

Another Irish song society, for the encouragement of Irish as a spoken language has just been started in Ireland.

The Pope will publish shortly a third edition of his Latin poems, entitled "Leonis PP XIII, Carmina et Inscriptions."

It is said that the Russian fancy for English and French ways have been superseded by a liking for things American.

Binoculars for women and whiskers for men are numbered among the fashionable possibilities of London's near future.

The German Emperor has strictly forbidden the officers of his army to have one eye, as denoted by wearing an eye-glass.

General Moran of the French Army has enlisted the plough in the service of war, for the hasty preparation of latrines.

Hamburg has had a complete recovery from the cholera visitation of a year ago and the city is now in a more prosperous state than ever.

The Queen of Denmark is a stone deaf, a throat malady being responsible for the affliction. The Princess of Wales inherits the same trouble.

A portrait of the Pope, carved on stone and set in a frame of gold, studded with precious stones, has been sent by his Holiness to Cardinal Gibbons.

Two postage stamps of Mauritius of 1847, of which only fourteen specimens are known to exist, have just been purchased by dealers in London for £480.

The second son of the Archbishop of Canterbury has achieved considerable success with a novel entitled "Dodo," dealing with fashionable society.

The ancient Cathedral of Ratisburg, near Lubek, has been struck by lightning during a severe thunder-storm, and partially destroyed. It was erected in 1177.

An article in the *Times* of how the slave trade survives in Africa, it is stated that last summer a caravan of 10,000 camels and 4,000 slaves left Timbuctoo for Morocco.

The recent appearance of salmon on London Bridge, in the Thames, after an absence of sixty years, affords no small encouragement to the Sewage Disposal Committee.

The value of wheat imported into Great Britain for the years stated was as follows: 1887, £3,102,904; 1888, £3,069,808; 1889, £3,405,284; 1890, £3,447,071; 1891, £5,507,536.

Lord Aberdeen's Scotch estates embrace over 63,000 acres, which are supervised from Haddo House, his country residence. Last year he expended £20,000 in improvements.

The old Swan Inn, close to the quail copper, sprang St. Mary's Church, Battersea, has just disappeared, and a palatial tavern, "The New Swan," has been erected in its place.

There are 11,000 cabs on the streets of London, 45,000 licensed cab-drivers and 25,000 cabs. The £2,000,000 carried yearly in this industry supports 120,000 people.

France was very much disturbed by strikes last year. An official return shows that in twelve months there were nearly three hundred trade disputes, affecting 108,000 workmen.

A boy has been born to a seventeen-year-old mother at Falkirk, Scotland. His grandmother is thirty-four years old, his great-grandmother fifty-four, and his great-great-grandmother eighty-three.

The Russian Government has postponed until June next the final transfer of Jews to the assigned places in the Jewish settlement. The Minister of the Interior is empowered to grant delays in certain cases.

The Emperor-King of Austria-Hungary is having a new palace built for him. It occupies a commanding plateau overlooking the Danube, and the gardens are going to be remarkable alike for their extent and beauty.

An agricultural writer reckons the loss this year to English farmers at £4,000,000, which means that the farmers have upwards of £7,000,000 less to spend than they would have had if the crops had been up to the average.

Queen Victoria's eyesight is failing, and the royal oculist has frequently to be called into requisition. Her Majesty now has to use very powerful spectacles when it is necessary for her to sign State documents. Blindness is hereditary in the family.

A gold medal of the value of 1,000 Italian lire is offered by the Royal Academy of Science of the Institute of Bologna to the author of the best memoir describing a new and efficacious system, or a new apparatus, for preventing or extinguishing fires.

A locomotive is being constructed in England to run 100 miles an hour. It is 2,000 horsepower, and the driving-wheels 32 feet in diameter. The three cylinders are 40, 28 and 18 inches in diameter with a 30-inch stroke. The boiler pressure is 200 pounds.

The Duke of Edinburgh between 1875 and 1887 made several attempts to sell to the German Government his reversionary interest in the throne of Saxony-Gotha to which he has now succeeded. In 1876 the Queen had a conference with the old Emperor William at Baden-Baden on the subject and nearly succeeded in negotiating an arrangement, but it fell through on account of a dispute about the pecuniary terms.

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To-day's Advertisements.

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A N EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FRANKLIN HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 19th instant, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 19th October, 1893. (1112)

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